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Applicant(s): Stanley Hawkins

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Invention: IRRIGATION CONNECTORS



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**IN RE APPLICATION OF:  
STANLEY HAWKINS ET.AL.**

**SERIAL NO. : 10/524,446**

**FILED: FEB. 7, 2003**

**FOR: Irrigation Connectors**

**Examiner: to be assigned**

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**Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In the Decision on Petition mailed May 8, 2006, the Office erroneously concluded that the petition was brought only under 37 CFR 1.47a. This is an unsupported conclusion. The petition was entitled as being made under 37 CFR 1.47. Thus, it was the intent to bring the petition under both subsections simultaneously.

The Office thus concluded that the declaration signed by the inventors under 37 CFR 1.47a was rendered defective due to the fact that there was also an assignee's declaration made under 37 CFR 1.47b. The assignee's declaration under 37 CFR 1.47b was rejected out of hand, because it was unilaterally deemed by the Office to be a 1.47a petition. The filing of two proper declarations was deemed to render both improper. The petitioner respectfully submits that this is error.

All other requirements under 1.47a and b were found satisfied except doubt was expressed whether Miyasato refused to execute the declaration notwithstanding multiple mailings and faxes to multiple addresses sending him the inventors' declaration

and failure upon Miyasato's part to respond or acknowledge any of the mailings or faxes.

The question may be more whether Miyasato can be found at all than whether he refuses to sign.

Exhibit 1A is a copy of a registered letter sent to the last known address of the nonsigning inventor, Wayne M. Miyasato, namely:

Wayne Miyasato  
405 E. Center St. #207  
Anaheim, California 92805

which letter included a complete copy of the application including specification, claims and drawings, a blank declaration, and a copy of the executed assignment.

Exhibit 1B is a copy of the failure of the registered letter of Exhibit 1A to be accepted by addressee.

Exhibit 2 is a copy of MSN White pages listings of all Miyasato's in California generated on June 6, 2006. Wayne M. Miyasato is not among them.

Exhibit 3 is a copy of a skip trace listing five addresses for a Wayne M. Miyasato, one of which addresses is the last known address.

Exhibit 4A is a copy of copy of a registered letter including a complete copy of the application including specification, claims and drawings, a blank declaration, and a copy of the executed assignment sent to:

Wayne Miyasato  
18510 Wilton Pl  
Torrance, CA 90504

Exhibit 4B is a copy of the failure of the registered letter of Exhibit 4A to be accepted by addressee.

Exhibit 5A is a copy of copy of a registered letter including a complete copy of the application including specification, claims and drawings, a blank declaration, and a copy of the executed assignment sent to:

Wayne Miyasato  
22232 S. Vermont Uni Ave #202  
Torrance, CA 90502

Exhibit 5B is a copy of the failure of the registered letter of Exhibit 5A to be accepted by addressee.

Exhibit 6A is a copy of copy of a registered letter including a complete copy of the application including specification, claims and drawings, a blank declaration, and a copy of the executed assignment sent to:

Wayne Miyasato  
202 S. Vermont Ave #22232  
Torrance, CA 90502

Exhibit 6B is a copy of the failure of the registered letter of Exhibit 6A to be accepted by addressee.

Exhibit 7A is a copy of copy of a federal express letter sent to:

Wayne Miyasato  
841 El Mirador Drive  
Fullerton, California 92835

Exhibit 7B is a copy of the USA airbill addressed to Wayne Miyasato.

Exhibit 8 is a copy of an executed patent assignment signed by Wayne M. Miyasato. Wayne M. Miyasato was an employee of assignee and left employment in 2003.

No other response of any kind has been received from Wayne Miyasato.

Applicant respectfully submits that under 37 CFR 1.47a Wayne Miyasato cannot be found or reached after diligent effort. Enclosed is a Supplemental Declaration of another joint inventor accompanying this renewed petition. The Supplemental Declaration has been edited to state that the signing inventor intends to sign for Wayne Miyasato, and so in fact does so sign.

The assignee has proven sufficient proprietary interest by virtue of Exhibit 8. This action is necessary to prevent irreparable damage and to preserve the rights of assignee which will be caused by potential abandonment of the application by failure to complete section 371 formalities. The Assignee respectfully submits that under 37 CFR 1.47b, it is entitled to make the application in behalf of the nonsigning party. The signed declaration by assignee has previously been made of record in this application.

Applicant and assignee respectfully submit that either and each may sign in behalf of the nonsigning inventor and complete the application.

Please charge Deposit Account 01-1960 for any additional fees pertaining to this case.

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Signature

*[Signature]* *7/10/06*  
*July 10, 2006*

Respectfully submitted,

*[Signature]*  
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Re: U.S. Patent Application for Irrigation Connectors based on PCT  
US/2003/03605, serial no. 10/524,446  
Our Ref. No. : AQU1.PAU.01

Dear Wayne:

Please find enclosed a complete copy of the application including specification, claims and drawings, a blank declaration, and a copy of the executed assignment. Please sign the declaration and fax back to our offices immediately. If there is any reason why you refuse to sign, please call and let us know that you will not be signing. Please verify your address, since we have four addresses for you.

Very truly yours,

*Daniel L. Dawes*  
Daniel L. Dawes

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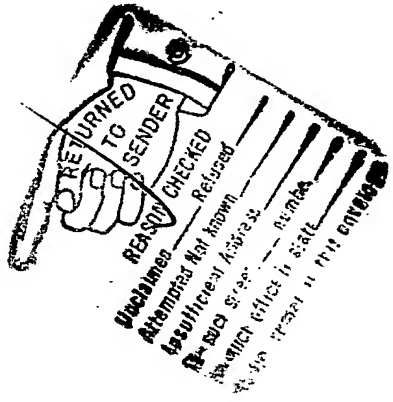
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# Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

## English Language Declaration

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

IRRIGATION CONNECTORS

the specification of which

(check one)

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on February 11, 2005 as United States Application No. or PCT International Application Number 10/524,446 and was amended on

(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. (list name and registration number)

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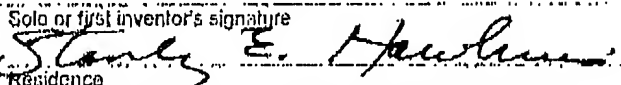
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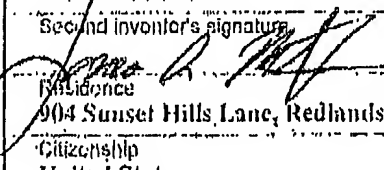
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Solo or first inventor's signature		Date
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Full name of third inventor, if any Wayne M. Miyasato	
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Full name of fourth inventor, if any	
Fourth inventor's signature	Date
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Full name of fifth inventor, if any	
Fifth inventor's signature	Date
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Full name of sixth inventor, if any	
Sixth inventor's signature	Date
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For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR(S),

Stanley E. Hawkins

hereby sells, assigns and transfers to ASSIGNEE, Agricultural Products, Inc., a California corporation, whose business address is 1450 E. Francis St., P.O. Box 3760, Ontario, California 91761, and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE, all of its rights, title and interest for the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries in and to, any and all improvements which are disclosed in the invention entitled:

**Irrigation Connectors Ready Made According to Demand and Method of Supplying the Same**

and which is found in

- (a) ☐ U.S. provisional application filed herewith and listing the above named persons as inventors
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AND the ASSIGNOR(S) requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent of the United States and any reissue or extension thereof to the ASSIGNEE, Agricultural Products, Inc.

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Signature of Inventor(s)

18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2003

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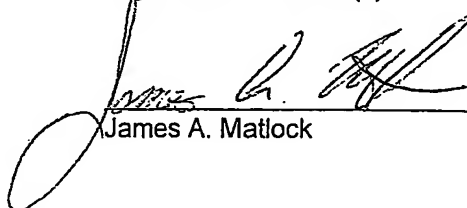
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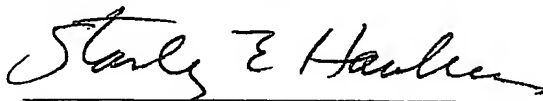
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18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2003

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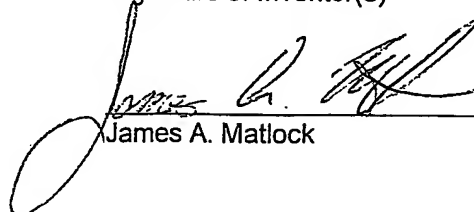
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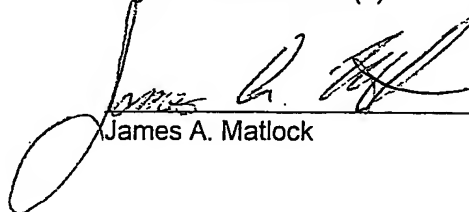
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**Our Ref. No. : AQU1.PAU.01**

Dear Wayne:

Please find enclosed a complete copy of the application including specification, claims and drawings, a blank declaration, and a copy of the executed assignment. Please sign the declaration and fax back to our offices immediately. If there is any reason why you refuse to sign, please call and let us know that you will not be signing. Please verify your address, since we have four addresses for you.

Very truly yours,

*Daniel L. Dawes*  
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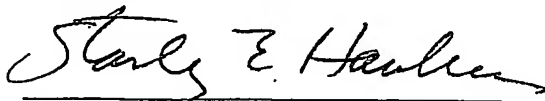
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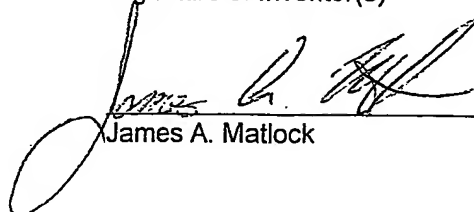
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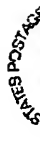
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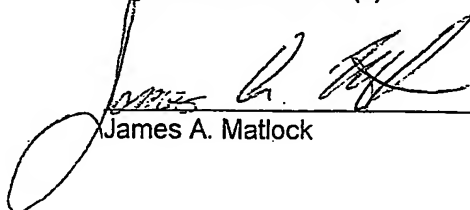
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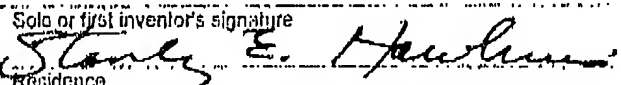
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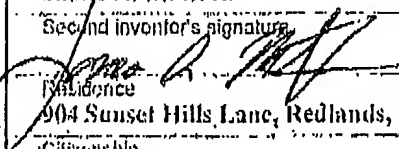
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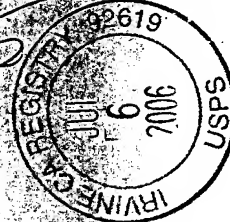
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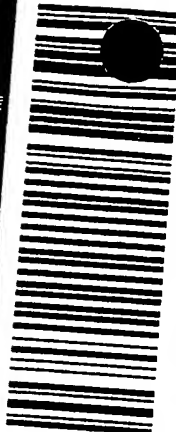
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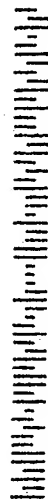
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